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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of May 7, 2003 and the Notice of Appeal filed October 7, 2003, for two months to February 7, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$210.00 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A responsive paper is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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